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## ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

SUBJECT: (Optional)

FROM

Acting Director, Foreign Broadcast  
Information Service

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FBIS-0199/86

DATE

28 May 1986

TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)

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1. Deputy Director for  
Science and Technology  
Room 6E45, Headquarters

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For your information. The Gulf Bureau closure is proceeding so far without a hitch. Regarding the Bahraini Information Minister's interest in our equipment, unfortunately these receivers are too expensive and too much in short supply for us to dispose of them as the 'nice gesture' suggested, but we may be able to give them something.

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CITE FBIS/GULF 10092

TO: FBIS.

SUBJECT: GULF CLOSURE--NOTIFICATION OF GOB

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1. OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION OF THE GOB REGARDING CLOSURE PLANS WAS COMPLETED ON 26 MAY WHEN AMBASSADOR LEIDEL AND I MADE A CALL ON THE INFORMATION MINISTER. THE AMBASSADOR HAD INFORMED THE FOREIGN MINISTER A FEW DAYS EARLIER.

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2. THE MINISTER EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO CONTINUE RECEIVING THE FBIS PRODUCT, AND HE WAS ASSURED THAT IT WOULD CONTINUE TO BE PROVIDED BY THE EMBASSY. WE DID NOT, HOWEVER, GO INTO A DETAILED DISCUSSION OF PRECISELY WHAT WOULD BE PROVIDED.

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OUR INTENTION IS SIMPLY TO PROVIDE THE INFOMIN WITH COPIES OF MATERIAL ALREADY BEING RECEIVED BY THE EMBASSY FOR ITS OWN PURPOSES (ARABIAN PENINSULA, IRAQ, IRAN-- SOME OF WHICH IS NOW HANDLED AS A LOCAL SERVICE AND WILL HAVE TO BE ADDED AS GENERAL LATERAL SERVICES). IF THE INFOMIN WANTS MORE, SPECIFIC REQUESTS WILL HAVE TO BE COORDINATED WITH THE EMBASSY IN LIGHT OF ITS COMMO CAPACITY.

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3. THE INFORMATION MINISTER ALSO RAISED THE QUESTION OF POSSIBLY BUYING SOME OF OUR EQUIPMENT FOR USE IN THE GOB'S OWN MONITORING OPERATION, WHICH IS PART OF THE GULF NEWS AGENCY (MANAMA WAKH). GENERALLY, THEIR EQUIPMENT IS NEWER AND IN BETTER CONDITION THAN WHAT WE HAVE HERE IN GF,

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THE AMBASSADOR FEELS IT WOULD BE A "NICE GESTURE" IF WE WOULD GIVE THEM A GOOD PRICE ON A FEW

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HOW DOES FED FEEL ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF SELLING A FEW OF  
THESE? AND IF FED DOESN'T MIND, HOW DO WE HANDLE A "SWEET-HEART"  
SALE AS OPPOSED TO COMPETITIVE BIDDING AT AUCTION? I DON'T LIKE  
THE IDEA MUCH BUT WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A DEFINITE ANSWER WHEN THE  
GENERAL MANAGER OF THE NEWS AGENCY COMES FOR A VISIT ON 31 MAY.

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